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- and Agricultural Machinery Construction 1. The Ministry for Transportation is one of the three which resulted from the splitting of the former Ministry for Machine Construction. It is believed to be a cover wame for the Armaments Ministry of Fast Germany. The Ministry has between 800 and 900 employees.
- 2. The Minister is Bernd Weinberger, formerly chief of the Buero fuer Wirtschaftsfragen and before that Director of the Office of Reparations. Weinberger is a Russian citizen and, desnite his name, is not of German birth. He is a member of the 3FD. The State Secretary is Ernst Wolf, also a member of the SED; Hans Schober is Deouty Minister; Schober was Weinberger's successor in the Office of Reparations.
- 3. The Ministry is divided into five main administrations as follows:
 - HV Schiffbau , director (fnu) Zieseniss, a member of the 350; Deputy Director Heinrich Kuenzel. The HV Schiffbau controls all dockyards in East Germany. It also supervises the following factories: Isolierung und Kaeltetechnik Rostock, Schiffsmontage Rostock, Zentrales Konstruktionsbuero, and Zentrale Konstruktionsbueros in Berlin Koepenick, Berlin-Karlshorst, and Marnemuende, also the Schiffbau-Konstruktionsbuero Nr. 1 in Wolgast, the so-called Buero Schlaak, and the VSB-Industriewerk Ludwigsfelde. Ship Construction Office No.1 make all the plans necessary for the construction of HVS vessels on contract for the government. VB Industriewerk, Ludwigsfelde, is reportedly an armament factory which is still under construction.
 - b) HV Fahrzeugbau Schiene Director unknown. The Main Administration controls all factories in Fast Germany which make locomotives, railroad cars, and railroad equipment, Wo armaments factories fall under its control.
 - c) HV Fahrzeugbau Strasse Director (fnu) Lang, member of the SCD. This Main Administration controls the entire automobile industry in East Germany. Development work for the production of armored scout cars is planned.

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- d) HV Landmaschinenbau Director unknown. Controls DDR factories which produce agricultural machines and tractors. As yet no armaments production is known.
- e) HV Transportmittelbaw Director(fnu) Topps, SED. Is believed to be in charge of all airplane construction. The Main Administration is located in Dessau and is expected to be in charge of the Junkers plant now being rebuilt. Details of the production program are not known. Topps was earlier an ARADO specialist.
- 4. The Ministry also contains nine so-called central departments; they are: the departments of:
 - a. Personnel
 - b, Sales Administration
 - c. Material Procurement, directed by (fnu) Klopfer of the GED
 - d. Labor
 - e. Economy, directed by (fnu) Klewitz, 3DD
 - f. Production
 - g. Investments
 - h. General Administration
 - i. Legal Affairs directed by (fnu) Roscher

Of these, the only important one is that for Economy. It is believed that this department has taken over completely the functions of the former Buero fuer Wirtschaftsfragen. The BfW is said to have been dissolved. The Economy Central Department is over all of the other Departments and Main Administrations. All armament factories are under its supervision, and contracts for armaments are distributed by it, in so far as these are not already controlled by the Main Administrations for Ship Construction, Automobile Industry, and Airplane Construction.

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